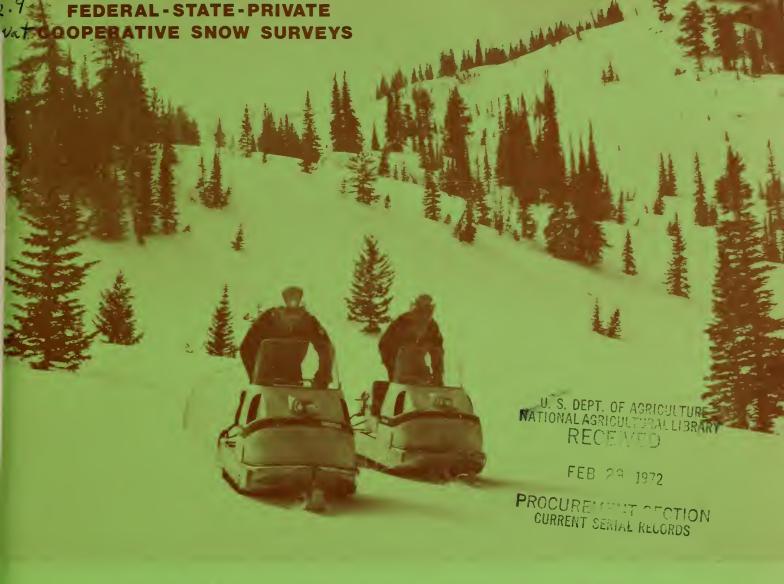
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TO RECIPIENTS OF WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK REPORTS:

Most of the usable water in western states originates as mountain snowfall. This snowfall accumulates during the winter and spring, several months before the snow melts and appears as streamflow. Since the runoff from precipitation as snow is delayed, estimates of snowmelt runoff can be made well in advance of its occurrence. Streamflow forecasts published in this report are based principally on measurement of the water equivalent of the mountain snowpack.

Forecasts become more accurate as more of the data affecting runoff are measured. All forecasts assume that climatic factors during the remainder of the snow accumulation and melt season will interact with a resultant average effect on runoff. Early season forecasts are therefore subject to a greater change than those made on later dates.

The snow course measurement is obtained by sampling snow depth and water equivalent at surveyed and marked locations in mountain areas. A total of about ten samples are taken at each location. The average of these are reported as snow depth and water equivalent. These measurements are repeated in the same location near the same dates each year.

Snow surveys are made monthly or semi-monthly from January 1 through June 1 in most states. There are about 1900 snow courses in Western United States and in the Columbia Basin in British Columbia. Networks of automatic snow water equivalent and related data sensing devices, along with radio telemetry are expanding and will provide a continuous record of snow water and other parameters of key locations.

Detailed data on snow course and soil moisture measurements are presented in state and local reports. Other data on reservoir storage, summaries of precipitation, current streamflow, and soil moisture conditions at valley elevations are also included. The report for Western United States presents a broad picture of water supply outlook conditions, including selected streamflow forecasts, summary of snow accumulation to date, and storage in larger reservoirs.

Snow survey and soil moisture data for the period of record are published by the Soil Conservation Service by states about every five years. Data for the current year is summarized in a West-wide basic data summary and published about October 1 of each year.

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GENERAL SUMMARY FOR JANUARY 1, 1972

Snowpack accumulation throughout the entire State of Idaho has been well above normal for the 1971-72 season. In a few cases, snow-water equivalent as of January 1 is at an all-time high for this time of year. Snow cover as compared to normal ranges from 115% on Montpelier Creek in southeastern Idaho to a high of 365% of average on the Palouse drainage in northern Idaho.

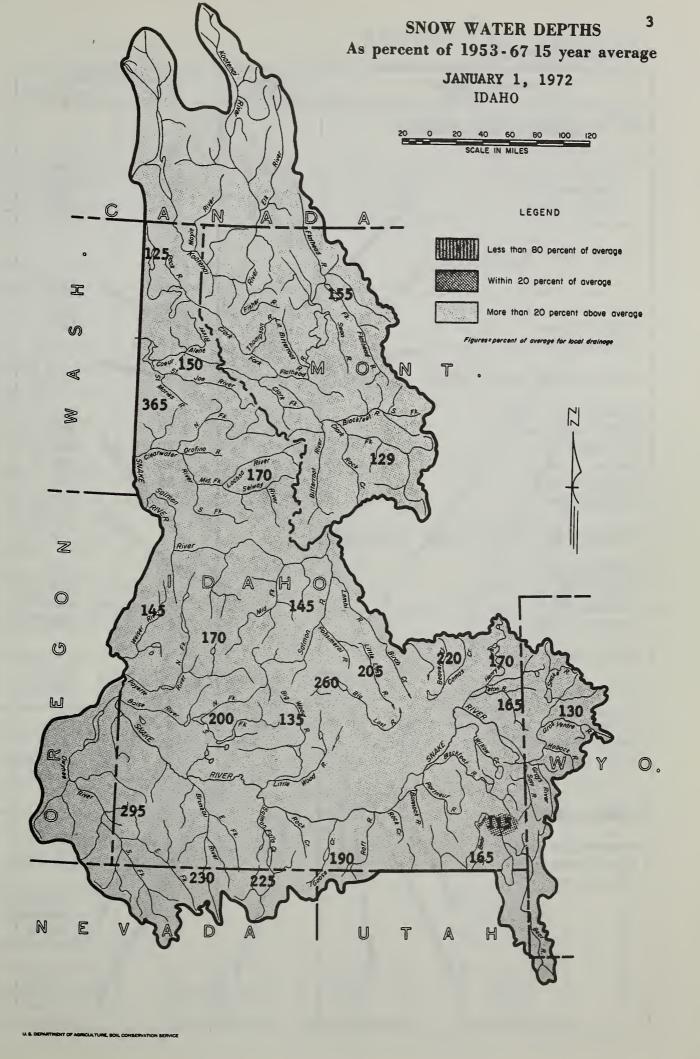
In general, soil moisture is very good due to fall rains which primed the soil prior to snow accumulation. Temperatures during December were below normal in most areas and resulted in frozen soils primarily at lower and intermediate elevations.

Carryover reservoir storage is excellent as a result of the above normal runoff experienced in the 1971 irrigation season. The Salmon Falls reservoir and Oakley reservoir in southern Idaho have the highest carry-over contents experienced in the last 30 years. Due to the early snow accumulation and high carryover storage, plans are being made to lower many reservoirs to make room for anticipated runoff.

Many low elevation drainages in southern and eastern Idaho have a combination of moist and frozen soil and unusually heavy snow cover. On

these drainages there is a possibility of extremely high, fast runoff if a chinook wind or warm rainy period occurs in the next few weeks.

Idaho may be in for another record snow year, equal to or exceeding last year. If the present trend continues, an excellent water supply is forecast for the 1972 irrigation season.



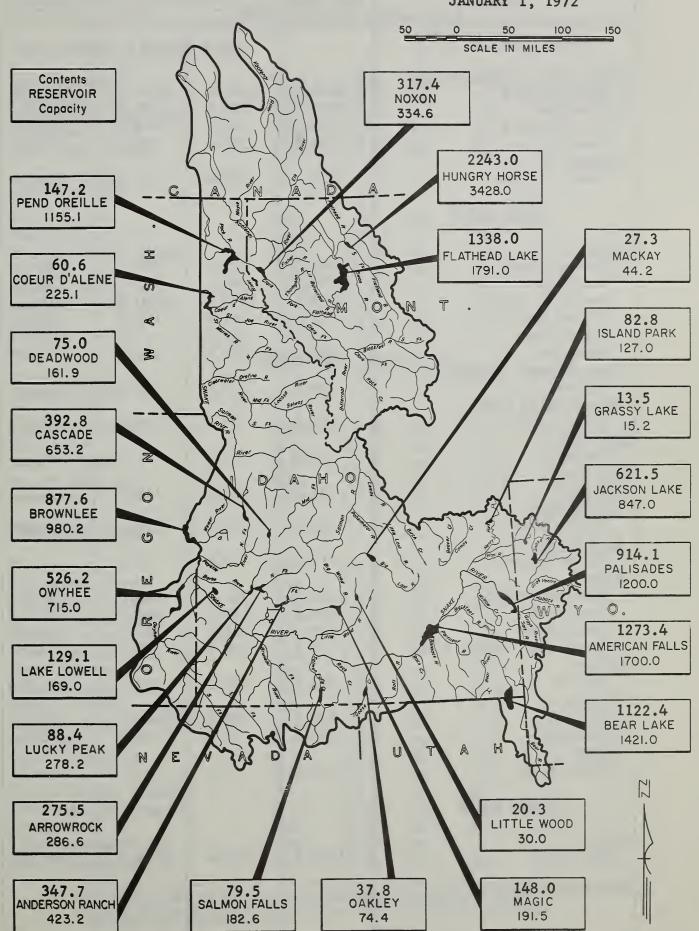
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RIVER BASIN WATERSHED	NO.OF COURSES AVERAGED	THIS YEARS SNOW WATER EXPRESSED AS PERCENT OF LAST YEAR 1953-67 AV		
UPPER COLUMBIA RIVER BASIN				
Pend Oreille River	23	109	136	
Clark Fork River	16	118	129	
Flathead River	3	117	155	
Priest River	2 -4	100	125	
Spokane River	2-3	115	150	
LOWER SNAKE RIVER BASIN				
Palouse River	5	275	365	
Clearwater River	4-10	130	170	
Salmon River	8-18	95	145	
Lemhi River	6	105		
MIDDLE SNAKE RIVER BASIN - Northside				
Little Lost River	5	130	205	
Big Lost River	1-3	85	260	
Big Wood River	5-6	80	135	
Boise River	4-6	100	200	
Payette River	7-8	85	170	
Weiser River	1	80	145	
MIDDLE SNAKE RIVER BASIN - Southside				
Raft River	1	135	190	
Salmon Falls Creek	3 -4	155	225	
Bruneau River	1	120	230	
Owyhee River - Idaho	2	120	295	
UPPER SNAKE RIVER BASIN				
Upper Snake - Wyoming	15	90	130	
Camas-Beaver Creeks	2	80	220	
Henrys Fork River	5-6	85	170	
Teton River	2-3	120	165	
Blackfoot River	2	140	103	
Portneuf River	4	185		
GREAT BASIN				
Montpelier Creek	4	80	115	
Mink Creek	1	100	165	
Cub River	2	120		

RESERVOIR STORAGE

USABLE CONTENTS (1,000 Acre Feet)

JANUARY 1, 1972



RESERVOIR STORAGE (1,000 Ac. Ft.)

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY		EASURED (First of Mo	
KESEKVUIK	USABLE CAPACITY	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	1953-67 AVERAGE
UPPER COLUMBIA BASIN				
Ol. I. Berl Berl Overtile				
Clark Fork - Pend Oreille	3428.0	2243.0	2271.0	2766 04
Hungry Horse Flathead	1791.0	1338.0	1282.0	2766.0*
Pend Oreille	1155.1	147.2	143.7	515.4
Noxon	334.6	317.4	324.4	321.1*
Spokane	334.0	317.4	324.4	321.1"
Coeur d'Alene	225.1	60.6	63.5	153.2
SNAKE BASIN				
Snake				
Jackson Lake	847.0	621.5	579.4	423.4
Palisades	1200.0	914.1	972.5	634.0*
American Falls	1700.0	1273.4	1230.8	1029.7
Island Park	127.0	82.8	109.4	76.2
Grassy Lake	15.2	13.5	11.9	10.2
Brownlee	980.2	877.6	800.8	773.2*
Goose-Trapper Creeks				
Oakley	74.4	37.8	22.9	11.2
Salmon Falls Creek			100	
Salmon Falls	182.6	79.5	34.3	19.9
Big Lost				
Mackay	44.2	27.3	32.7	25.4
Big Wood				
Magic	191.5	148.0	116.0	87.2
Little Wood				
Little Wood	30.0	20.3	16.1	8.5*
Fish Creek Carey Valley	14.4	7.0	6.5	
Boise	14.4	7.0	6.5	
Anderson Ranch	423.2	347.7	346.0	250.0
Arrowrock	286.6	275.5	267.9	250.0 197.5
Lucky Peak	278.2	88.4	102.0	58.0*
Lake Lowell (Deer Flat)	169.0	129.1	124.0	93.0
Owyhee	107.0	147.1	124.0	95.0
Owyhee	715.0	526.2	581.8	330.8
Payette	/ 13.0	320.2	301.0	330.0
Cascade	653.2	392.8	446.0	283.8
Deadwood	161.9	75.0	85.2	63.5
Weiser			33.12	
Mann Creek	11.1	1.7		
GREAT BASIN			1	
Poor				
Bear Bear Lake	1/01 0	1100 /	1100 1	045.0
Dear Take	1421.0	1122.4	1109.1	845.0
*Period of Record.				

SNOW			THIS YEAR		PAST R	ECORD
DRAINAGE BASIN and/or SNOW COUR	RSE	Date	Snow Depth	Water Content	Water Conte	ent (inches)
NAME	Elevation	of Survey	(inches)	(inches)	Water Contr	Average b

UPPER COLUMBIA RIVER BASIN

PEND OREILLE - PRIEST RIVER						
Benton Meadow	2344	12/30	18	3.8	5.9	3.2
Benton Spring	4900	12/29	42	11.1	9.0	8.6
#Mosquito Ridge (SP)	5110	1/1		19.0		
Schweitzer Bowl	4500	12/30	69	18.8	17.2	
Schweitzer Ridge	6100	12/30	89	26.7	28.0	
benweitzer krage	0100	12/ 50	0,	20.7	20.0	
SPOKANE RIVER						
Above Burke	4100	1/2	59	14.0		
Above Burke (SP)	4100	1/2		13.8		
Fourth of July Summit	3100	12/30	38	9.8	6.0	3.5*
Lookout	5250	12/29	78	19.4	21.8	15.7
Lookout (SP)	5250	12/29		19.4		
Mosquito Ridge (SP)	5110	1/1		19.0		
Sherwin	3200	12/29	49	11.4	6.8	
	LOWER SN	AKE RIVE	R BASI	<u>EN</u>		
PALOUSE RIVER						
Crumarine Creek	3340	12/30	42	10.2	3.8	2.5*
East Twin	4050	12/30	44	12.0	2.6	3.9*
Howard Creek	3450	12/30	34	8.6		1.6*
Moscow Mountain	4400	12/30	60	17.3	7.5	5.9*
West Twin	4250	12/30	45	13.5	4.1	3.0*
CLEARWATER RIVER						
Above Greer	1240	1/3	T	T		
Cayuse Airstrip	3700	12/27	48	14.0		3.6*
Cottonwood Butte	5140	12/30	40	10.4	5.0	
Crater Meadows (A)	6100	12/27	94	28.2		
Crooked Fork	3800	12/28	35	8.6	6.1	
Fish Lake Airstrip (A)	5000	12/24	96	25.0		16.8*
Greer Summit	3000	1/3	8	2.2		
Hemlock Butte (A)	5500	12/27	132	39.6		
#Hoodoo Basin Mont.	6000	1/4	95	28.5	25.2	
#Hoodoo Creek Mont.	5900	1/4	92	27.5	23.4	18.0
Lolo Pass	5230	12/28	64	16.7	16.0	
Lower Snowhaven	5250	12/30	54	14.0	8.6	
Midway	2200	1/3	8	1.8	T	
Pierce Ranger Station	3170	1/1	45	10.2	5.4	4.3*
Powell Ranger Station	4230	12/28	31	7.4	6.2	
Savage Pass	6600	12/27	49	12.4	12.7	
Shanghai Summit (A)	4600	12/27	75	19.5		
Upper Snowhaven	5600	12/30	54	15.2	9.2	

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Mill Creek Summit 8870 12/30 48 12.1 14.0 -	_
Moose Creek 6200 1/2 44 9.8 8.0 -	
Morgan Creek 7580 12/30 36 8.7 8.4 -	
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Lemhi River	
Above Gilmore 8200 12/28 32 6.4 5.6 -	
Aspen-Hall Pass 8110 12/29 28 5.6 3.7 -	
Copes Camp 7500 12/27 26 3.9 4.3 -	
Gertson Creek (A) 8050 1/3 22 4.4	1
Hall Creek 7560 12/29 18 3.5 1.9 -	
Meadow Lake 9100 12/28 48 12.0 11.5 -	
Schwartz Lake 8500 12/27 31 5.6 7.3 -	

SOIL MOISTURE	IL MOISTURE					(Inches) SOIL MOISTURE (Inches)				
STATION		DEPTH	CAPACITY	DATE	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	2 YEARS AGO			
NAME	ELEVATION	<u> </u>			TEAN	TEAR	A00			
SPOKANE RIVER						-				
Fourth of July Summit	3100	48	11.6	12/30	10.1	9.8	8.2			
Lookout	5250	48	11.0	12/29	6.8	8.2	7.4			
CLEARWATER RIVER										
Brown	3100	36	6.7	1/3	5.7	6.0	5.6			
Midway	2200	36	6.1	1/3	5.0	4.9	5.0			
SALMON RIVER							7-10			
Mill Creek Summit	8870	48	9.4	12/31	4.6	5.8	4.4			
Lemhi River										
Above Gilmore	8200	60	5.4	12/28	4.0	2.8	2.4			
Meadow Lake	9100	48	4.4	12/28	2.4	2.4	1.9			

SNOW

THIS YEAR

PAST RECORD

Date of Survey

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Elevation

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Water Content (Inches)

Last Year Average 6

MIDDLE SNAKE RIVER BASIN - NORTHSIDE

LITTLE LOST RIVER						
Fairview Guard Station Lost Garfield Moonshine Sawmill Canyon Wet Creek Summit	6750 6600 7450 6900 7600	12/27 12/27 12/27 12/27 12/28	18 18 35 29 42	3.8 4.1 8.1 7.4 9.2	3.3 2.0 6.6 4.9 7.8	1.6* 1.5* 4.8* 3.5* 4.3*
Iron Bog Leadbelt White Knob	7650 6800 7700	12/29 12/29 12/30	35 28 33	7.6 5.7 7.5	9.8 7.1 7.2	 2.9*
#Couch Summit Galena Galena Summit Graham Ranch Mount Baldy Soldier Ranger Station BOISE RIVER	6950 7300 8795 6200 9000 6100	12/27 12/27 12/28 12/29 12/29 12/27	38 44 58 32 48 34	9.0 10.0 13.4 6.6 10.7 8.8	12.6 12.7 15.8 11.4 15.2 7.6	7.8 9.9 5.6 8.8 4.3*
Bad Bear #Bogus Basin Couch Summit Moores Creek Summit #Soldier Ranger Station Trinity Mountain	5500 6120 6950 6100 6100 7780	12/29 12/30 12/27 12/29 12/27 12/30	42 65 38 74 34 71	11.0 19.0 9.0 20.2 8.8 20.3	8.2 15.7 12.6 19.0 7.6 24.2	4.9* 8.1 12.3 4.3*
#Big Creek Summit Bogus Basin #Brundage Mountain Cozy Cove Crawford Ranger Station Deadwood Airstrip Deadwood Dam Deadwood Summit Deadwood Summit (SP) Rock Flat Summit	6600 6120 7560 5900 4800 5440 5290 7000 7000 5200	12/28 12/30 12/29 12/27 12/28 12/27 12/27 12/28 12/28 12/28	72 65 90 50 22 46 48 81	19.5 19.0 25.5 12.0 5.5 11.4 11.2 21.0 20.5 11.4	22.7 15.7 30.8 14.8 8.1 14.7 14.1	17.0* 8.1 5.9 2.7* 5.6* 6.5 6.6
WEISER RIVER Boulder Creek	5500	12/29	58	14.2	18.0	9.7*

(b) 1953-67, 15 year period. *Not located directly on this drainage. * Estimated 1953-67, 15 year Average. (A) Aerial observation Vater content estimated. (SP) Pressure Pillow snow-water equivalent. (R) Radioactive Gage snow-water equivalent.

SOIL MOISTURE	PROFILE	(Inches)		SOIL MOISTURE (Inches)			
STATION NAME	ELEVATION	DEPTH	CAPACITY	DATE	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	2 YEARS AGO
LITTLE LOST RIVER							
Fairview Guard Station Wet Creek Summit	5850 8175	42 48	7.6 17.1	12/27 12/28	7.7 12.4	7.5 13.0	7.3 12.4
BIG WOOD RIVER							
Galena Galena Summit	7300 8795	48 48	10.1	10/28 10/28	4.6* 1.7*	5.8 Frozen	4.2 1.7
BOISE RIVER				-			
Bogus Basin Bogus Basin Road	6120 4830	48 48	13.1 7.1	12/15 12/15	9.3 5.0	5.7	7.5 4.7
* Fall Measurement							
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	MIDDLE	SNAKE	RIVER	BASIN	 SOUTHSIDE
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RAFT RIVER						
Howell Canyon	8000	12/29	60	17.9	13.3	9.4*
GOOSE CREEK						
Badger Gulch	6660	12/28	34	9.7		3.3*
SALMON FALLS CREEK						
#Bear Creek (A) Nev. Cedar Creek (A) Deadline Goat Creek Nev. #Hummingbird Springs (A) Nev. Magic Mountain #Pole Creek R. S. Nev. Red Point (A) Nev. Shoshone Basin Wilson Creek (A) BRUNEAU RIVER	7800 7000 6900 8800 8945 6700 8330 7940 5740 7500	1/4 1/4 12/27 12/28 1/4 12/27 12/28 1/4 12/27 1/4	44 28 65 44 45 53 51 36 28 44	12.8 8.0 19.4 12.3 13.1 15.5 14.9 10.1 8.0 12.8	10.6 8.8 12.4	6.6* 8.1* 6.8* 7.0* 6.3* 6.5* 2.8*
Bear Creek (A) Nev. Hummingbird Springs (A) Nev. Pole Creek R. S. Nev. #Seventy-six Creek (A) Nev. OWYHEE RIVER #Seventy-six Creek (A) Nev. Silver City South Mountain	7800 8945 8330 7100 7100 6400 6340	1/4 1/4 12/28 1/4 1/4 12/28 12/27	44 45 51 27 27 47 38	12.8 13.1 14.9 8.0 14.2 11.1	12.4 11.1 10.0	6.6* 7.0* 6.5* 4.9* 3.6*

SOIL MOISTURE	PROFILE	(Inches)		SOIL MOISTURE (Inches)			
STATION NAME	ELEVATION	DEPTH	CAPACITY	DATE	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	2 YEARS AGO
RAFT RIVER							
Conner Pass	5700	36	9.8	12/29	6.4		8.2
Howell Canyon	8000	48 36	11.5 7.5			9.0	7.1
Sheep Hollow Sublett	6000	36	7.0	10/13	2.5 * 5.0 *		
GOOSE CREEK							
Badger Gulch	6660	36	7.0	12/28	5.9		
SALMON FALLS CREEK						-	
Deadline	6900	36	7.4			6.7	6.1
Patrick Ranch	5720	36 48	7.7			4.5	4.6
Pole Creek R.S.	8330	40	9.7	12/28	8.2	6.6	5.2
* Fall Measurement	10						
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SNOW			THIS YEAR	PAST RECORD		
DRAINAGE BASIN and/or SNOW COURSE		Date	Snow Depth	Water Content	Water Content (inches)	
NAME	Elevation	of Survey	(Inches)	(Inches)	Last Year	Average 6

	UPPER SN	AKE RIVE	R BASI	<u>N</u>		
CAMAS-BEAVER CREEKS						
Camp Creek Kilgore	6800 6200	12/28 12/30	34 36	8. 0 7.5	9.7 9.6	3.5 3.5*
HENRYS FORK RIVER						
Big Springs Grassy Lake Wyo. Island Park Sawtelle Mountain Targhee Pass Valley View	6500 7230 6315 8715 7000 6500	12/27 12/28 12/27 12/28 12/28 12/28	59 76 51 74 44 47	12.4 18.9 10.6 20.7 10.0 10.8	14.6 22.1 11.3 24.6 12.1 12.2	7.2 13.4 5.6 5.1* 5.3
TETON RIVER						
Freds Mountain Pine Creek Pass State Line	8000 6750 6400	12/30 12/30 12/30	62 44 31	15.5 10.7 8.3	13.1 8.3 7.1	6.0 * 5.4
WILLOW CREEK						
Bone Ozone	6200 5800	12/29 12/29	27 12	6.9 2.8	4.4 T	
SAND CREEK						
Henry Creek Taylor Mountain	5650 6500	12/28 12/28	15 30	5.0 8.5	2.8 4.1	
BLACKFOOT RIVER						
China Hat Somsen Ranch	6300 7000	1/3 1/3	18 41	5.4 10.1	2.8	
PORTNEUF RIVER						
Cove Lower Pebble Moser North Bancroft #2 Pebble Creek	5525 5800 5950 5430 6550	1/3 1/3 1/3 1/3 1/3	22 40 24 8 40	5.6 11.5 5.5 2.2 11.7	2.5 5.9 4.0 1.0	

OIL MOISTURE	PROFILE	(Inches)	SOIL MOISTURE (Inches)				
STATION	ELEVATION	DEPTH	CAPACITY	DATE	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	2 YEARS AGO
HENRYS FORK RIVER							
Island Park Valley View TETON RIVER	6315 6500	48 48	9.9	12/27 12/28	8.2 7.2	8.3 Frozen	7.6 3.8
Pine Creek Pass State Line Teton Pass	6750 6400 8500	48 48 48	13.3 14.8 10.5	12/30 12/30 12/30	11.6 12.6 9.8	12.4 15.5 8.9	10.2 10.7 7.3
PORTNEUF RIVER							
Lower Pebble Pebble Creek	5800 6550	36 48	7.6 7.2	1/3 1/3	6.8 5.4	8.5 4.0*	4.2 3.8
* Fall Measurement							

SNOW		THIS YEAR			PAST RECORD	
DRAINAGE BASIN and/or SNOW COURSE		Date of Survey	Snow Depth (Inches)	Water Content (Inches)	Water Content (inches)	
NAME Elevation					Last Year	Average 6

	GR	EAT BASI	N			
BEAR RIVER						
Emigrant Summit	7350	12/29	58	14.9	14.5	8.9*
Montpelier Creek						
Giveout Little Beaver Montpelier Creek Whiskey Flat	6840 6970 6570 6985	12/30 12/30 12/30 12/30		6.5 6.6 4.1 5.4	4.8	5.0* 6.4* 4.1* 4.3*
Mink Creek						
#Emigrant Summit	7350	12/29	58	14.9	14.5	8.9*
<u>Cub River</u>						
Cub River R. S. Willow Flat	5400 6100	12/30 12/30	25 35	5.4 9.0	3.6 8.2	

SOIL MOISTURE		PROFILE	(Inches)	SOIL MOISTURE (Inches)				
STATION			CAPACITY	DATE	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	2 YEARS AGO	
NAME	ELEVATION				YEAR	YEAR	AGO	
BEAR RIVER								
Emigrant Summit	7350	36	8.2	12/29	6.3	5.8	6.2	
Strawberry Creek	5800	48	12.7	12/29	10.1		7.3	
Montpelier Creek								
Jenson Ranch	6580	48	18.7	12/30	6.6	6.6	8.7	
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Agencies and Organizations Cooperating in Idaho Snow Surveys

GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

Canada:

Department of Lands, Forests, and
Water Resources, British Columbia
Department of Resources and Development,
Water Resources Division

States:

Idaho State Department of Water Administration
State of Idaho Department of Fish and Game
University of Idaho
Idaho State University
Montana Agricultural Experiment Station
Montana State Water Conservation Board
Nevada Cooperative Snow Surveys
Oregon Agricultural Experiment Station
Oregon Cooperative Snow Surveys
Oregon State Engineer and Corps of
State Watermasters
Utah Cooperative Snow Surveys
Wyoming Cooperative Snow Surveys

Federal:

- U. S. Army Engineers
- U. S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service Agriculture Research Service
- U. S. Department of Commerce
 NOAA, National Weather Service
- U. S. Department of the Interior
 Bonneville Power Administration
 Bureau of Reclamation
 Fish and Wildlife Service
 Water Resources Division, Geological Survey
 Indian Service
 National Park Service
 Bureau of Land Management

PUBLIC UTILITIES

The Montana Power Company Washington Water Power Company Idaho Power Company Utah Power and Light Company

ORGANIZED PUBLIC AGENCIES

Big Lost River Irrigation District
Boise Project Board of Control
Little Wood River Irrigation District
Jordan Valley Irrigation District
Salmon Falls Creek Irrigation Company
Twin Falls Soil Conservation District
Twin Lakes Irrigation Company
Big Wood Irrigation Company
Owyhee Project - North & South Board of Control

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